GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Integrated Child Protection Scheme
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) being implemented by the Government for the improvement in the well being of children in difficult circumstances;
(b) the funds allocated/released and utilised under the said scheme along with the number of children benefited thereunder during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether cases of non-utilisation of allocated funds and irregularities in funds utilization by many States/UTs under the scheme have come to the notice of the Government during the said period and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken thereon;

(d) whether the Government has carried out or proposes to carry out review of the scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
(e) the corrective steps taken by the Government for effective implementation of the said scheme in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)

(a): The Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) is implementing a centrally sponsored Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) for the improvement in the well being of children in difficult circumstances. Under ICPS, financial assistance is provided to the States/UTs for, inter-alia, undertaking a situational analysis of children in difficult circumstances, for setting up and maintenance of various types of Homes including Children Homes and Specialised Adoption Agencies. Under ICPS institutional care is provided through Child Care Institutions (CCIs). As a rehabilitative measure in these CCIs, children are provided age appropriate education either within the institution or outside in a formal education system through convergence with other schemes and programs of the Government or civil society. Under the non-institutional care component, ICPS provides support for adoption, foster care and sponsorship.

(b): The details of funds sanctioned, released to the State Governments/UT Administrations and their utilization by the States/UTs alongwith the number of beneficiaries under ICPS during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise is annexed.

(c): No, Madam.

(d): For further continuation of the scheme beyond 12th Five Year Plan i.e. for the remaining period of 14th Finance Commission, appraisal of the scheme by Expenditure Finance Committee has been carried out in its meeting dated 30th September, 2016.

(e): The Ministry has set up a monitoring system to ensure effective implementation of the scheme. A Project Approval Board (PAB) under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (WCD) has been constituted in the Ministry to scrutinize and approve implementation plans, annual Plans and financial proposals from States/ UTs for release of grants under the scheme. The board also monitors and reviews the progress of implementation of the scheme from time to time.

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